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## 100 PROVISIONS

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- 100.1 The rules and regulations set forth in this chapter govern matters relating to driver's licenses, learner's permits, provisional permits, and non-resident driving permits, including qualifications for licenses; medical and physical standards for licenses; procedures for application, testing, issuance, and renewal of driver's licenses; duplicate and modified licenses; annotations on licenses, and other matters.
- 100.2 No person, except those expressly exempted by § 100.3, shall drive any motor vehicle in the District of Columbia unless he or she has a valid license under the provisions of this chapter.
- 100.3 The following persons are exempt from the license requirements set forth in this chapter:
  - (a) Non-residents exempt under the provisions of § 8 of the Act of March 3, 1925, as amended (D.C. Code § 40-303 (1986));
  - (b) High school or junior high school students fifteen (15) years of age or over who are enrolled in an approved driver education and training course, when operating an approved driver education motor vehicle under instruction and accompanied by a licensed motor vehicle driving instructor.
- 100.4 The Department shall not issue an operator's license to any of the following:
  - (a) Any person who is under sixteen (16) years of age;

- (b) Any person who is an habitual drunkard, or is an habitual user of narcotic drugs, or is an habitual user of any other drug to a degree which renders him or her incapable of safely driving a motor vehicle;
- (c) Any person who has previously been adjudged to be afflicted with or suffering from any mental disability or disease and who has not at the time of application been restored to competency by the methods provided by law:
- (d) Any person required by this title to take an examination, unless that person has successfully passed the examination; and
- (e) Any person, when the Director has good cause to believe that person by reason of physical or mental disability would not be able to operate a motor vehicle with safety.

### 101 CLASSES OF DRIVER'S LICENSES

- When issuing a driver's license, the Director shall indicate on the license the type or general class of vehicle(s) the licensee shall be permitted to drive.
- The Director shall establish the qualifications which he or she believes are reasonably necessary for the safe operation of the various types, sizes, or combinations of vehicles.
- 101.3 The Director shall examine each applicant appropriately to determine the applicant's qualification according to the type or general class of license for which the applicant has applied.

### 102 DRIVING UNDER INSTRUCTION: LEARNER'S PERMITS

- Any person who is at least sixteen (16) years of age may apply to the Director for a learner's permit.
- The Director may, in his discretion, after the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test, issue to the applicant a learner's permit which shall entitle the applicant, while having such permit in his immediate possession, to drive a specified type or class of motor vehicle upon the public highways for a period not in excess of 1 year.
- A learner's permit may be renewed or a new permit may be issued for an additional period not in excess 1 year.
- The issuance of a learner's permit, a provisional permit, or a driver's license to a person under eighteen (18) years of age shall be subject to the following restrictions:
  - (a) The licensee shall not drive any motor vehicle other than a passenger vehicle, or motorized bicycle;
  - (b) The licensee shall not drive any vehicle for compensation.

- A person holding a learner's permit shall not operate a motor vehicle except between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 p.m., and while under the instruction of, and when accompanied by the holder of a valid driver's license who is at least 21 years of age and who shall occupy the seat beside the permittee.
- A junior high or high school student enrolled in an approved driver education and training course may operate a dual-control motor vehicle when the student is under instruction and accompanied by a licensed motor vehicle driving instructor.
- 102.7 The instructor shall, at all times while engaged in instruction, have in his possession a certificate from the principal or other person in charge of the school stating that the instructor is officially designated to instruct students enrolled in the course.
- Whenever demand is made by a police officer, the instructor shall display the certificate to the officer.
- No other person shall ride in or on a vehicle when the driver is under instruction, except as provided in § 102.11.
- 102.10 Subsections 102.5 and 102.9 do not apply to the operation of motorcycles or motorized bicycles by a person holding a learner's permit.
- 102.11 When any person in possession of a learner's permit is accompanied by a person holding a motor vehicle instructor's license, or when an unlicensed student is accompanied by an instructor holding a certificate described in § 102.7, not more than three (3) other persons may ride on the back seat of the vehicle, and then only for the sole purpose of receiving instruction.
- All seating positions in each dual control vehicle used for driver's instruction shall be equipped with seat belts or safety harnesses which shall be used by all persons riding in the vehicle whenever the vehicle is being operated for instructional purposes.
- 102.13 The person acting as instructor shall be held responsible for the strict observance of all regulations.
- 102.14 A persons holding a provisional permit shall not operate a motor vehicle between 11:00 p.m. on any Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday until 6:00 a.m. on the following day during any month except July or August, and from 12:01 a.m. until 6:00 a.m.--during July and August and on any Saturday or Sunday the rest of the year, except if travelling to or from employment, a school-sponsored activity, religious or an athletic event or related training session in which the permittee is a participant, sponsored by the District of Columbia, a civic organization, or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the minor, or unless accompanied by the holder of a valid driver's license who is at least 21 years of age and who shall occupy the seat beside the permittee.

# 103 APPLICATION FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT

- Each application for a learner's permit, a provisional permit, or for a driver's license shall be made upon a form furnished by the Director and shall be accompanied by the proper fee.
- 103.2 Each application shall state the applicant's true and lawful name (which shall include the applicant's full and complete name, including any given middle name or names); the applicant's date of birth; sex; social security number; the residence address of the applicant; and a brief description of the applicant, including, but not necessarily limited to, the applicant's height, weight, color of eyes, and color of hair.
- Each application shall state whether the applicant has been previously licensed as an operator and, if so, when and by what state or country; and whether any such license has ever been suspended or revoked; whether an application has ever been refused; and, if so, the date of and reason for the suspension, revocation, or refusal.
- Each application shall also include any other information that the Director may require in order to determine the competency, eligibility, or identity of the applicant.
- 103.5 Each applicant for a learner's permit or driver's license shall be required to display a birth certificate and social security card or other documentary evidence of the date of birth and social security number of the applicant satisfactory to the Director.
- An applicant for renewal or an applicant holding a valid out-of-state driver's license under circumstances allowing the applicant to have the road test requirement waived shall only be required to display a social security card.
- 103.7 The application of any person under eighteen (18) years of age for a learner's permit, a provisional permit, or driver's license, except those endorsed by the State Department as enjoying the privilege of diplomatic immunity, shall be accompanied by a written, notarized statement signed by one of the applicant's parents or a guardian consenting to the issuance of the permit or license.
- 103.8 The following fees shall apply to permit applicants:
  - (a) Learner's permit test . . . . . . . . . . \$10;
  - (b) Driver's permit road test . . . . . . . . . \$10;
  - (c) Driver's permit application fee . . . . . . . . . . \$39;

- (d) Learner's permit application fee . . . . . . . . . \$20; and
- (e) Provisional operator's permit application fee . . . \$20.
- An applicant who fails to appear for a scheduled road test shall be required to pay a penalty of ten dollars (\$10), unless the applicant cancels the road test at least 2 business days prior to the scheduled road test.
- 103.10 An applicant shall pay any outstanding road test penalties due pursuant to § 103.9 prior to receiving a road test.

### 104 EXAMINATION OF APPLICANTS FOR DRIVER'S LICENSES

- The Director shall examine each applicant for a learner's permit, a provisional permit, or driver's license.
- 104.2 The examination shall include a test of the applicant's eyesight, ability to read and understand official traffic control devices, knowledge of safe driving practices, knowledge of the traffic and motor vehicle laws and regulations, knowledge of the motor vehicle insurance laws and regulations of the District, and any further physical or mental examination required by the Director to determine the applicant's fitness to operate a motor vehicle safely.
- 104.3 The examination for a driver's license shall include an actual demonstration of ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle of the type or general class for which the applicant desires a license, which shall be given in a congested portion of the District.
- 104.4 No road test shall be given by the Department unless a device is easily accessible by the examiner seated in the passenger seat that enables the examiner to take control of the vehicle in an emergency. Such device may include, but is not limited to, a handbrake located between the driver seat and the passenger seat or a second steering wheel and/or brake located on the passenger side.
- 104.5 No road test shall be given by the Department unless the motor vehicle used for the test is equipped with at least two (2) front seat belts or safety harnesses, one of which shall be used during the test by the applicant and the other by the examiner.
- The road test may be given in a car bearing temporary tags if the applicant displays a valid special use certificate for the tags.
- 104.7 Applicants may be given road tests with vehicles bearing dealer tags if the applicant displays a temporary registration card issued to the applicant, or displays the regular registration card and is an employee of the dealer.

- 104.8 A valid driver's license issued by another jurisdiction, including a foreign country, may be accepted in lieu of a road test unless the Department records show the applicant to have failed the District road test within the six (6) month period preceding the date of the application; or the applicant is seventy-five (75) years of age or older; or the applicant's other qualifications are questionable. A "valid license" does not include a temporary permit issued by another jurisdiction pending the issuance of a regular license.
- Except as provided in section 111, the Director or his or her designee is authorized to exercise discretion and waive the written test or the road test, including the motorcycle road test in the case of a motorcycle endorsement holder, to an applicant presenting an expired permit as follows:
  - (a) The written examination may be waived if the applicant presents a District driver's license that has expired for a period of ninety (90) days or less;
  - (b) Except as provided in (c), the road test may be waived if the applicant presents a driver's license issued by the District or any other jurisdiction, including a foreign country that has expired for period of one hundred and eighty (180) days or less; and
  - (c) If the applicant, within two (2) years prior to date of the application, has been adjudicated or deemed liable for any moving violations for which points are assessable, and such points have not been waived, the road test may only be waived if the permit has been expired for a period of ninety (90) days or less.
- 104.10 Applicants shall be limited to three (3) examinations within a twelve (12) month period, whether applying for a new license or renewal. If the applicant fails the third examination, no further examination shall be given by the Department until a period of twelve (12) months has elapsed from the date of the first examination failed.
- 104.11 No applicant who has failed the driver's examination shall be re-examined until at least seventy-two (72) hours have elapsed.
- 104.12 No road test shall be given to an applicant who drives to the road test in violation of learner's permit restrictions in section 7 of the District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925, approved March 13, 1925 (43 Stat. 1121; D.C. Official Code § 50-14-1.01(a)). Any applicant who violates this section shall not be permitted to take the road test for six (6) months.
- 104.13 Residents over the age of eighteen (18) may be approved for the operation of motorcycles only if they hold a valid operator's permit or valid provisional operator's permit and pass a motorcycle demonstration test.

- 104.14 For any applicant for a succedent learner's permit under the age of 21, the Director may accept test results from a written examination of the traffic regulations taken not more than 15 months earlier to satisfy the requirements in section 7(a)(2)(B) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925, effective March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1121; D.C. Official Code § 50-1401.01(a)(2)(B)).
- 104.15 Any applicant for a succedent learner's permit 21 years of age or older must take a written examination of the traffic regulations to satisfy the requirements 7(a)(2)(B) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925, effective March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1121; D.C. Official Code § 50-1401.01 (a)(2)(B)).

# 105 VISUAL REQUIREMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS

- Each applicant for a driver's license, learner's permit, or renewal of a license or permit must meet minimum visual requirements.
- Testing may be done by confrontation or perimetry, both eyes open.
- An applicant who has only one (1) functioning eye must submit a report from an optometrist or ophthalmologist attesting to the applicant's field of vision.
- 105.4 Minimum requirements shall include form field of vision of at least one hundred thirty degrees (130 [degrees]) in the horizontal meridian.
- Applicants whose field of vision is less than one hundred thirty degrees (130 [degrees]) but more than one hundred ten degrees (110 [degrees]), but whose vision meets the visual acuity requirements described in § 105.6 may be referred to the Director for approval.
- Each applicant must demonstrate visual acuity of at least 20/40 in one eye and no less than 20/70 in the other eye, with or without corrective lenses.
- If an applicant's visual acuity fails to meet the requirements of § 105.6, the following requirements, with or without corrective lenses, shall apply:
  - (a) If the applicant has visual acuity of less than 20/70 in one eye and no less than 20/40 in the other eye, or has only one (1) functioning eye of not less than 20/40, a permit may be issued;
  - (b) If the applicant has visual acuity of less than 20/40, but not less than 20/70, in the best or only eye, and a field of vision of at least one hundred forty degrees (140 [degrees]) in the horizontal meridian, a license may be issued with a restriction that limits driving to daylight hours only; and
  - (c) The license shall be issued upon the favorable recommendation of an optometrist or ophthalmologist. The applicant may not operate a vehicle

unless the vehicle is equipped with a functional outside mirror on the left side.

- An applicant who is being treated for glaucoma or cataracts may be issued a driver's license if, in addition to meeting all other requirements of this chapter, he or she submits to the Department a medical eye report completed by an ophthalmologist on a medical form furnished by the Director.
- 105.9 The eye report required by § 105.8 shall be submitted annually unless the ophthalmologist indicates a need for more or less frequent reports; or unless three (3) consecutive annual reports reveal no appreciable deterioration in visual acuity or field of vision, in which case less frequent reports may be satisfactory.
- 105.10 Any permittee who develops glaucoma, cataracts or loses functioning in one eye shall, within thirty (30) days of learning of the condition, appear at the Department with a medical eye report completed by an ophthalmologist on a medical form supplied by the Department.
- 105.11 Any permittee whose corrected visual acuity or field of vision becomes less than the minimum allowed under § 105.6 shall report to the Department for re-testing within thirty (30) days of learning of the condition.
- 105.12 The Director may reissue a license with conditions or revoke the license of a permittee who no longer meets the visual acuity requirements of § 105.6 or who submits information pursuant to § 105.10 that indicates that the person is not physically qualified to operate a motor vehicle in a manner not to jeopardize the safety of individuals or property.
- Failure to appear when required by §§ 105.10 or 105.11 may be grounds for revocation pursuant to § 302.2.
- 105.14 The Director may suspend a driver's permit if more time is required to evaluate the permittee and may, in his or her discretion, issue a temporary license to a permittee if consistent with public safety.

# 106 SPECIAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS: PERSONS WITH DIABETES, SEIZURE DISORDERS, ALTERATION OR LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS, AND HEARING IMPAIRMENT

- 106.1 A diabetic furnishing data showing the following may be issued a license without qualification, except as provided in this section:
  - (a) Approval of vision by an ophthalmologist or optometrist in the form of a Diabetic Eye Report, furnished by the Director which shall include visual

- acuity, field vision, and testing to determine the presence of retinitis, cataracts, or glaucoma;
- (b) Approval of health by a physician in the form of a Diabetic Medical Report furnished by the Director indicating the following:
  - (1) The extent to which the disease is controlled;
  - (2) Whether the individual is reliable in following a prescribed medical or dietary regime;
  - (3) Whether insulin is required; and any past medical history of coma or altered consciousness.
- A diabetic who meets the requirements of § 106.1, who is seventy (70) years of age or over, or who is between sixteen (16) and twenty-five (25) years of age and is applying for his or her first license in any jurisdiction, will be referred to the Medical Board for evaluation prior to the issuance of a license or permit.
- A diabetic who fails to furnish data meeting the requirements of § 106.1 may be issued a license or permit, but the case shall be referred to the Medical Board for evaluation and clearance prior to the issuance of a license or permit.
- 106.4 If the reports indicate satisfactory control of the diabetes and do not show diabetic eye pathology, no further medical or vision reports are required until license renewal.
- 106.5 If either the vision or medical report suggests the probability of rapid progress of the disease, or if the vision is compromised, reports may be requested at shorter intervals.
- Forms furnished to diabetic applicants and licensees shall clearly state the conditions described in this section.
- An applicant receiving treatment for episodes of altered consciousness or seizures may be issued a driver's license if, in addition to meeting all other requirements of this chapter, the applicant annually furnishes the Director with a physician's certificate indicating the following:
  - (a) That the physician has knowledge of the seizure history of the applicant;
  - (b) That, in the physician's professional opinion, the applicant can operate a motor vehicle safely so as not to endanger life and property; and
  - (c) That the applicant has not experienced an altered state of consciousness within the preceding twelve (12) months.

- The annual physician's certificate shall no longer be required after a five (5) year period of freedom from seizures.
- An applicant shall be required to sign an affidavit that he or she has had no seizure or altered consciousness in the year immediately preceding the date of the application. If a seizure or episode of altered consciousness has occurred within a shorter period of time than one (1) year, the applicant may be considered for a license, at the discretion of the department's medical officer, if he or she meets one of the following requirements:
  - (a) The applicant has had a "single episode" loss of consciousness of controllable etiology;
  - (b) The seizure resulted from the recommendation of a physician to discontinue the use of medication because of other medical or surgical considerations; or
  - (b) The seizures are nocturnal seizures and clearly documented to occur only at night.
- 106.10 An applicant with a seizure disorder may be required to sign a similar affidavit every twelve (12) months when the physician's certificate is not required. If the applicant fails to file an affidavit, the applicant's license shall be revoked until the applicant furnishes the Director with evidence that the applicant is physically qualified within the meaning of this section.
- 106.11 Persons who are hard of hearing or who are totally deaf may operate a motor vehicle only if the vehicle is equipped with a properly positioned outside mirror on the left side of the vehicle.
- 106.12 Any permittee who develops a physical condition covered by this section shall, within thirty (30) days of learning of the condition, appear at the Department, in accordance with the following:
  - (a) Any permittee who develops diabetes shall furnish the medical report required by § 106.2, and shall be referred to the Medical Board if required by §§ 106.2 or 106.3; or
  - (b) Any permittee who experiences a loss of consciousness or a seizure shall furnish a medical report that meets the requirements of §§ 106.7 or 106.9.
- 106.13 Following review of the permittee's medical condition, the Director may either allow the license to remain in place, reissue the license with conditions necessary to ensure the safety of individuals and property, or revoke the license if the person is not physically qualified to operate a motor vehicle in a manner not to jeopardize the safety of individuals or property.

- Failure to appear when required by § 106.12 may be grounds for revocation pursuant to § 302.2.
- 106.15 The Director may suspend a driver's permit if more time is required to evaluate a permittee and may, in his or her discretion, issue a temporary license to a permittee if consistent with public safety.

#### 107 LICENSES ISSUED TO DRIVERS

- 107.1 The Director shall, upon compliance with the requirements of this chapter and payment of the required fee, issue to an applicant a license indicating the type or general class of vehicle(s) the licensee may drive.
- Each license shall include the licensee's true and lawful name (as required to be stated on the application), residence address, distinguishing number or social security number, as provided by § 7(b)(1) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925, effective March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1125; D.C. Official Code § 50-1401.01 (b)(1)), date of birth, sex, weight, height, color of eyes, color of hair, expiration date, a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee, and either a facsimile of the signature of the licensee or a space upon which the licensee shall write his or her usual signature with a pen and ink immediately upon receipt of the license. No license shall be valid until it has been so signed by the licensee.
- Each license shall also include an imprinted photograph of the licensee not more than (6) years old; a profile if the licensee is under twenty-one (21) years of age; a frontal, if the licensee is twenty-one (21) or older; however, the Director may waive the requirement in cases where the Director finds the requirement impractical; provided, that when the reason for the waiver ceases to exist, the licensee shall make application for a new license which shall bear a photograph.
- 107.4 The Director may, in his or her discretion, issue a temporary driver's permit to an applicant under the following circumstances:
  - (a) While the Director is completing an investigation and determination of all facts relative to the applicant's eligibility to receive a driver's license; or
- (b) After an applicant has renewed his or her driver's license on the Department's website.
- 107.5 The Director, upon issuing a driver's license, shall have authority whenever good cause appears to impose restrictions suitable to the licensee's driving ability with respect to special mechanical control devices required on a motor vehicle which the licensee may operate, or such other restrictions applicable to the licensee as the Director may determine to be appropriate to ensure the safe operation of a motor vehicle by the licensee.

- 107.6 The Director may either issue a special restricted license or may set forth the restriction(s) upon the usual license form.
- 107.7 At the time of examination of an applicant for a license, visual acuity and hearing deficiencies, including the use of corrective lenses, shall be noted as a restriction on any license issued.
- 107.8 If visual deficiencies so indicate, a license for use during daylight hours only may be issued, in which case the limited use shall be indicated on the license. Similarly, the necessity for special mechanical equipment or other permissible limiting conditions shall be noted on the license.
- Restrictions or limitations on the driving privileges of a person whose license has been suspended or revoked shall be noted on that person's license form.
- 107.10 A driver's license issued to a non-resident shall bear the restriction "Valid Only in the District of Columbia "in all cases except the following:
  - (a) A person living in the State of Maryland to whom is issued a Diplomatic driver's license;
  - (b) A resident of the District who is in the Armed Forces and is stationed outside the District; and
  - (c) Learner's permits and provisional permits.
- 107.11 Each applicant for an original license shall be informed of the restrictions set forth in § 107.10 and a notice thereof shall be stamped on renewal applications mailed to non-residents.
- 107.12 A license to operate motorcycles exclusively may be issued to any person who has successfully completed an examination required by the Director pursuant to § 104.
- 107.13 Any person eighteen (18) years or older who has been issued a District of Columbia driver's license or provisional operator's permit may have the license or permit endorsed for the operation of motorcycles, upon successful completion of an examination required by the Director pursuant to § 104 and subject to the provision of § 103; except that if an applicant for a motorcycle license endorsement completed a motorcycle demonstration course in Virginia, Maryland, or DC, if offered, the demonstration requirement of § 104.13 may be waived by the Director, provided that (1) the course was completed within six (6) months of the person's application for a District of Columbia motorcycle endorsement, and (2) the person presents a certificate of successful completion of the course.
- 107.14 (REPEALED)
- 107.15 (REPEALED)
- 107.16 A temporary driver's permit described in § 107.4 shall expire when a regular driver's license is received, when a regular license has been refused, or on the expiration date of the temporary permit, whichever is sooner.

107.17 The temporary driver's permit issued pursuant to §107.4 (b) allows the holder to operate a motor vehicle only if the operator also has their expired license in their possession.

### 108 NOTATIONS ON LICENSES: ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT

- Each operator's license issued or renewed on or after January 1, 1988, shall contain, as part of the license, a uniform donor card as described in § 4(b) of the District of Columbia Anatomical Gift Act, approved May 26, 1970 (84 Stat. 267; D.C. Code § 2-1504(b).
- The Director shall provide a method for permitting and individual making application for a new license, renewal of a license, or for an identification card to designate that he or she has elected, pursuant to the District of Columbia anatomical Gift Act, approved May 26, 1970 (84 Stat. 267; D.C. Code § 2-1504(b)), to be a donor of his or her body, or tissue or organ, or part of the body, for the purpose of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education.
- 108.3 Upon designation, the Director shall make the notation "DONOR" on the license or identification card of the individual identifying that individual as one who has signed an anatomical gift card.
- The notation referred to in § 108.3 shall constitute legal authority under the District of Columbia Anatomical Gift Act, approved May 26, 1970 (84 Stat. 267; D.C. Code § 2-1504(b)), for the donation of any body, or the removal of tissue or any organ, part of an organ, or part of a body, upon the donor's death.
- 108.5 The notation referred to in § 108.3 shall be removed from a licensee's identification card or license only after thirty (30) days written notice has been given to the Director by the licensee.
- 108.6 No anatomical gift notation may be made on the license or identification card of any person under eighteen (18) years of age, without the expressed notarized written consent of the parent or legal guardian.
- Each applicant, eighteen (18) years of age and older, for an identification card or a license shall be asked if they wish to be a "DONOR."
- 108.8 The uniform donor card, as described in § 4(b) of the District of Columbia Anatomical Gift Act, approved May 26, 1970 (84 Stat. 267; D.C. Code § 2-1504(b)), shall indicate whether the donor has informed his or her loved one or next of kin of his or her intentions.

# 109 DUPLICATE OR MODIFIED LICENSES AND SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS

- 109.1 If a learner's permit, a provisional permit, special identification card or driver's license issued under the provisions of this chapter is lost or destroyed, the person to whom the permit, license or special identification card was issued may obtain a duplicate, or substitute, upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the Director that the permit, license, or special identification card has been lost or destroyed, and payment of the required fee.
- 109.2 Unless the Department is notified of the non-receipt of a license within thirty (30) days of issuance of a temporary license, the required fee for a duplicate shall be paid.
- 109.3 Whenever any person, after applying for a driver's license or special identification card, moves from the address set forth in the application, that person shall, within five (5) days thereafter, notify the Director in writing of both the old and new addresses.
- Whenever any person, after receiving a driver's license or special identification card, moves from the address set forth in the license or special identification card, that person shall, within five (5) days thereafter, notify the Director in writing of both the old and new addresses and of the number of the license or special identification card.
- 109.5 Whenever the name of any person who has received a driver's license or special identification card is changed by marriage or otherwise, that person shall, within five (5) days thereafter, notify the Director in writing of his or her former and new names and of the number of the license or special identification card
- 109.6 No later than thirty (30) days after providing notice as required by § 109.4 or §109.5, the person must appear at the Department with supporting documentation, surrender their old license or special identification card, and obtain a new license or special identification card.

## 110 RENEWAL OF DRIVER'S LICENSES

- Unless the Director provides otherwise, the initial term of a driver's license issued after September 1, 2000, and the next renewal term of any driver's license issued prior to that date, shall expire on the licensee's birth date occurring in the fifth year of the license term, and may thereafter be renewed for up to a five-year period ending on the licensee's birth date.
- The Director is authorized to issue a motor vehicle driver's license valid for a period of less than the maximum periods provided for in subsection 110.1 whenever the Director finds, on the basis of medical or psychiatric evidence, that a periodic determination is required as to the physical or mental qualification of an applicant to operate a motor vehicle safely.
- The Director is further authorized to extend the validity of any driver's license without additional fee for such additional period or periods as the Director, in

- his or her discretion, may determine; Provided, that such additional period(s) shall not exceed five (5) years in the aggregate.
- 110.4 The Director may require any person applying for renewal of a driver's license to take and successfully pass a test of the applicant's eyesight and knowledge of the traffic laws of the District.
- The Director may require any applicant to take and successfully pass any additional test(s) as he may find reasonably necessary to determine the licensee's qualifications according to the type or general class of license applied for, and such examination may include any or all of the other tests required or authorized upon original application under the provisions of this chapter.
- The Director may defer the expiration of the license of a resident of the District who is on active duty away from the District in the Armed Forces or Merchant Marine of the United States and who, at the time of leaving the District, was the holder of a valid driver's license for a period not to exceed six (6) years upon such terms and conditions as the Director may prescribe. In the event that such driver's license is lost, mutilated, or badly worn, the Director may issue a replacement without charge and indicate the extended expiration date on the replacement license.
- A license may be renewed at any time in advance of expiration of a current license to take effect on the day following the expiration of the current license; Provided, that if the application for renewal is dated more than sixty (60) days prior to expiration of the current license, the renewed license shall be dated as of the day of issuance.
- Any person applying for renewal of a driver's license who owes the Department at least \$ 250 in outstanding unpaid fines and penalties may be eligible to participate in the Director's deferred payment plan, as provided in \$ 3007.5
- An applicant for the renewal of a driver's license is required to renew a license in person at least once every other renewal period and, on alternate renewal periods, the applicant may apply in person, by mail, or through the internet provided the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - (a) The applicant is not subject to re-examination pursuant to sections 110.4 or 111 of this chapter;
  - (b) The applicant certifies that the applicant meets the visual requirements of section 105 and there has been no change in the applicant's vision; and
  - (c) The applicant certifies that there has been no change in applicant's physical condition, the applicant is not diabetic, the applicant is not receiving and has not received treatment for episodes of altered consciousness or seizures during the preceding twelve (12) months and the applicant has not experienced any episodes of altered consciousness or seizures within the last five (5) years.

## 111 RE-EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

- 111.1 The Director, having good cause to believe that any person is incompetent or otherwise not qualified to be licensed, may, after at least five (5) days notice, require that person to submit to an examination. Upon the conclusion of the examination, the Director shall take action as may be appropriate and may suspend or revoke the license or may issue a license subject to restriction(s) authorized in § 109.
- Refusal or neglect to submit to the examination shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of the license.
- 111.3 The renewal of a license issued to a driver who has been involved in a traffic fatality shall be subject to the following:
  - (a) If, in the opinion of the hearing examiner at any hearing arising out of a revocation or suspension order, the evidence shows that the licensee contributed to a traffic fatality, the licensee shall not be permitted to retain or to regain operating privileges until the licensee undergoes a complete medical examination, both physical and mental, and receives a favorable report; and
  - (b) The examination shall be conducted by the Department of Human Services without cost to the licensee.
- The renewal of a license issued to a driver who has reached the suspension stage under the Point System and whose traffic record indicates involvement in two (2) or more accidents during the preceding three (3) years, or whose license(s) has (have) been revoked for cause, shall require a complete driver's examination which shall include all the elements of an examination given to an applicant for the initial license.
- The renewal of a license issued to a driver who has reached the age of seventy years or more shall require re-examination as follows:
  - (a) At age seventy (70), or the nearest renewal date thereafter, the applicant shall successfully complete the eye test, and may be required to successfully complete the reaction test, and shall furnish a statement from a practicing physician certifying that, after examination, the physician has found the applicant to be physically and mentally competent to operate a motor vehicle; and
  - (b) At age seventy-five (75), or the nearest renewal date thereafter, and on each subsequent renewal date, the applicant may be required to successfully complete the written test and road test in addition to complying with the requirements of paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- 111.6 The examination provided for in § 111.1 may include, but is not limited to, a medical, road, or written examination.

### 112 SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS

- The Mayor of the District of Columbia or his or her authorized agent may offer on a voluntary basis for issuance to residents of the District of Columbia a special identification card, which may contain the name, address, photograph and such other identifying data that the Mayor or his or her agent may prescribe.
- The special identification shall only be issued to residents of the District over age fifteen (15), upon the payment of a fee and the submission of an application that includes the information required by §103.2 of this chapter.
- The amount of the fee and form of application for the special identification card shall be determined by the Mayor or his or her agent.
- The special identification card shall not be used in place of any license or permit required to operate a vehicle by §§ 100 through 111 of this chapter.
- The special identification card shall carry conspicuously a notation that disclaims the bearer's authority to use the card for any purpose other than identification.
- The special identification shall carry the statement, "This identification is furnished by the District of Columbia as a service to the bearer. Application for, or possession of this card is not required by law."
- The special identification shall expire every five (5) years, as determined by the Director, but may be renewed upon request and payment of the fee for renewal.
- Residents of the District of Columbia who are sixty-five (65) years of age or older shall be exempted from paying a fee for the card.
- No police officer shall be authorized to request presentation of the card authorized by this section as a means of identification, although the same may be volunteered by the bearer.
- 112.10 After any action upon the application, the Mayor or his or her designated agent shall not retain in the files any information other than the name, address, age of applicant to whom the card is issued, the date of issuance and a reference to the document(s) relied upon in verifying the identity of the applicant.
- Any person who shall use fraud or misrepresentation in the application for or use of a special identification card issued under this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than three hundred dollars (\$ 300), or imprisoned for a period not exceeding ten (10) days, or both.
- 112.12 Fees for four (4) year non-driver identification cards shall be as follows:
  - (a) Each original or renewal card

\$ 20:

(b) Each duplicate card

\$ 7; and

- (c) For residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older No Charge.
- (d) Residents released from a federal or state correctional or detention facility within the previous six (6) months

  No Charge
- 112.13 Any driver's license issued by another jurisdiction shall be surrendered at the time of application and the resident shall be informed of the need to obtain a District Driver's license in order to operate a motor vehicle.